



*Magic - Unity - Might*

**Presidential Proclamation**

**October 25 - 31, 2008**

- Whereas: The Society of American Magicians was founded in 1902 and has more than 6,000 members worldwide, and,*
- Whereas: Each year, during the week of Houdini's death, members of The Society of American Magicians generously offer their time and talent for charitable purposes; and,*
- Whereas: The Society of American Magicians provides entertainment for people with disabilities and people who would otherwise have difficulty getting to a theater to watch a live performance; and,*
- Whereas: The Society is dedicated to elevating the art of magic with its endowment fund which provides educational and humanitarian assistance to its members; and,*
- Whereas: The Society of American Magicians participates in numerous community and national projects such as Operation Hocus Pocus which brings entertainment to those recovering or living in veteran's hospitals and centers in addition to military personnel and their families; and*
- Whereas: Magic for Special Education is a program unique to the Society that brings magic lessons to cognitively-challenged students; and,*
- Whereas: The Society of Young Magicians, the youth group of The Society of American Magicians, promotes an interest in magic as a wholesome hobby that helps develop self confidence and skill, the ability to speak in public, discipline from learning, practicing and performing at charitable events,*
- Now, therefore: I, Bruce Kalver, President of The Society of American Magicians, do hereby proclaim October 25 - 31, 2008 as National Magic Week.*

*Witness the hand and seal of my office  
during the term of my presidency  
2008-2009*

*Bruce Kalver*

**Bruce Kalver**

*National President*

*The Society of American Magicians*

